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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO DECEMBER 19, 2005 OFFICE ACTION

This Response and Amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed December 19, 2005 in the above-identified patent application. A Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time and the required fee are filed herewith. With the extension, this Response is due on or before June 19, 2006. Applicants believe no additional fees are due with this submission. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 26448-510 CON.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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